

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): Gnetum extract characterized in that the extract contains extracted extractable material that is extracted from (hereinafter called the "Gnetum seed extractable material") of Gnetum gnemon seeds or Gnetum material containing Gnetum gnemon seeds (hereinafter called "Gnetum seed material") with water and/or organic solvent used as an extractant,

wherein the extract contains a stilbenoid showing antimicrobial and/or antioxidative action.

Claim 2 (Original): Material containing Gnetum extract characterized in that the material is solid-liquid mixture of Gnetum seed material and aqueous extractant which is a mixed solvent of water and polar organic solvent and in that it contains Gnetum seed extractable material.

Claim 3 (Original): Material containing Gnetum extract according to claim 2 wherein the aqueous extractant contains 15 to 80% polar organic solvent.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): Gnetum liquors characterized in that a the solid content is removed from the material containing Gnetum extract according to claim 3 wherein the polar organic solvent is ethanol.

Claim 5 (Previously Presented): The Gnetum extract according to claim 1, wherein aqueous 50% ethanol solution of the Gnetum extract has an absorption spectrum that indicates the absorption maximum in the neighborhood of 320 nm and also, has a thin-layer chromatogram that indicates the spot in the neighborhood of Rf value 0.5.

Claim 6 (Original): A method of manufacturing material containing Gnetum extract according to claim 2, wherein the material containing Gnetum extract is heated from room temperature to 70°C and aged (enzyme reaction).

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): Reformed-vegetable Vegetable extract characterized in that Gnetum extract according to claim 5 is added and mixed to vegetable extract.

Claim 8 (Original): Seasoning products comprising the Gnetum extract according to claim 5 as an essential ingredient.

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): Cosmetics characterized in that the cosmetics contain Gnetum extract according to claim 1 ~~is contained~~ as medicinal properties.

Claim 10 (Currently Amended): Gnetum extract concentrated from the extractable material liquid of material containing Gnetum extract according to claim 2, wherein aqueous 50% ethanol solution of the Gnetum extract has an absorption spectrum that indicates an the absorption maximum in the neighborhood of 320 nm and also, has a thin-layer chromatogram that indicates a the spot in a the neighborhood of Rf value 0.5.

Claim 11 (Currently Amended): Reformed vegetable Vegetable extract characterized in that Gnetum extract according to claim 10 is added and mixed to vegetable extract.

Claim 12 (Previously Presented): Seasoning products comprising the Gnetum extract according to claim 10 as an essential ingredient.

Claim 13 (Currently Amended): Gnetum extract made into preparation form from the extractable material liquid of material containing Gnetum extract according to claim 2, wherein aqueous 50% ethanol solution of the Gnetum extract has an absorption spectrum that indicates an the absorption maximum in the neighborhood of 320 nm and also, has a thin-layer chromatogram that indicates a the spot in a the neighborhood of Rf value 0.5.

Claim 14 (Currently Amended): Reformed-vegetable Vegetable extract characterized in that Gnetum extract according to claim 13 is added and mixed to vegetable extract.

Claim 15 (Previously Presented): Seasoning products comprising the Gnetum extract according to claim 13 as an essential ingredient.

Claim 16 (New): The Gnetum extract according claim 1, wherein the stilbenoids comprise at

least Gnetin C, Gnemonocide A and Gnemonocide D.

Claim 17 (New): The cosmetics according claim 9, wherein the stilbenoids comprise at least Gnetin C, Gnemonocide A and Gnemonocide D.

Claim 18 (New): The Gnetum extract according claim 1, wherein the extract is an aged Gnetum extract.

Claim 19 (New): The Gnetum extract according claim 1, wherein the extract is an aged Gnetum extract aged for more than 12 hours.

Claim 20 (New): The Gnetum extract according claim 2, wherein the extract is an aged Gnetum extract aged for more than 12 hours.